

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

June 3, 2003

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FROM: **EMIL A. MARZULLO**, Director  
Special Districts Department

SUBJECT: **CONFIRM MAILED BALLOT RESULTS THAT AUTHORIZE A SPECIAL TAX  
TO BE PLACED ON THE 2003/2004 TAX ROLL FOR COUNTY SERVICE  
AREA 70, IMPROVEMENT ZONE G (OAK SPRINGS)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Acting as governing body of County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone G (Oak Springs)

1. Note the correction in the final date to received ballots. The correct date was May 15, 2003, and not May 9, 2003, which appeared in the April 1, 2003, Board action. All ballot materials were correctly dated.
2. Ratify the action of the Clerk of the Board in accepting ballots through May 15, 2003.
3. Confirm mailed ballot results that authorize a special tax to be placed on the 2003/2004 tax roll for a \$375 per parcel per year for road paving and increased road grading beginning FY 2003/2004.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** County Service Area 70 (CSA 70), Improvement Zone G maintains approximately 5 miles of roadway in the Oak Springs/Wrightwood area. The district was formed to provide road grading as needed for this area. The CSA 70, Zone G advisory commission requested our office work with a committee to determine the level of road maintenance desired by the community. Representatives of the Special Districts Department and the Committee came up with five options to present to the community. In October, a mailing was sent to the registered voters in the area requesting their participation in determining which option of road maintenance was desired by the community. A public meeting was held on November 13, 2002, to discuss these options and the residents had the opportunity to complete an informal survey. After the meeting, 96 of the 130 registered voters participated in the study, 75% of those who participated were in favor of paying \$375 per year for paving 3.5 miles of road and grading the remaining 1.5 miles of road 3x per year. Last month, a second survey was mailed to the registered voters in this area to ensure that they were in favor of the \$375 per parcel special tax. Over 90% of the registered voters who responded to the survey are in favor of paying the special tax for road paving and road grading three times per year.

On April 1, 2003, the Board approved the action authorizing the Special Districts Department to conduct a mailed ballot proceeding to place a special tax of \$375 per parcel per year on the property tax bill of each parcel within the boundary of County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone G (Oak Springs).

Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors

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The special tax is to apply for financing for road paving and road maintenance. The ballots were mailed on April 1, 2003, and were received by May 15, 2003. The results of the mailed ballot proceeding determined that over two thirds of the registered voters who returned their ballots voted in favor of the special tax for road improvements and maintenance.

With the approval of this item, the parcels subject to the special tax will be provided to the Auditor/Controller-Recorder's Office to be placed on the 2003/04 tax roll.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** This action has been reviewed by County Counsel (L. Thomas Krahelski, Deputy) on May 20, 2003, and reviewed by the County Administrative Office, (Wayne Thies, Administrative Analyst) on May 27, 2003.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** If the mailed ballot proceeding is successful the additional revenue will be included in the FY 2003/2004 budget. County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone G has paid for the survey and all administration costs including mailed ballot and overhead costs from the FY 2002-2003 budget.

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S):** First.

**PRESENTER:** Emil A. Marzullo, 387-5950.

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